REV. M. ASHBY JONES

EXPECTED THAT LEIGH-STREET CHURCH WILL CALL HIM.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN TO-DAY.

The Committee to Make Its Report at a Congregational Meeting This Afternoon-Sketch of the Talented Young Minister.

Rev. M. Ashby Jones, of Bardstown, Ky., will, it is believed, be called to-day to the pastorate of Leigh-Street Baptist church.

The congregation will hold a meeting at 3 o'clock this afternoon to receive the report of the committee of nine appointed to recommend a successor to Rev. Dr. W. L. Wright, who resigned some three months ago, and that the committee's selection will be approved by the Church there is little room for doubt.

The Nominating Committee is composed

Old Bible with an earnestness born of profound conviction, with plainness, and pith, and point, but with a simple, tender, pathos which wins, attracts, and moves. If he is called to the pastorate of the Leigh-Street church, and should accept the call, he will enter, his friends predict, upon a career of wide and increasing usefulness.

VALUABLE RELICS RECEIVED.

Interesting Additions to the Collec-

tion in the Virginia Room, The valuable collection of relics in the Confederate Museum is constantly being added to. The following interesting relics have recently been received for the Virginia Room by Mrs. J. Taylor Ellyson:

Mr. B. W. Green sends a picture of the warship Stonewall, with a list of the Mrs. James B. Pace adds three officers. officers. Mrs. James B. Pace adds three very valuable and interesting war maps. A true plan of the battle near Leesburg, Va., fought October El, 1861, from a draw-Va., fought October 21, 1881, from a drawing rurnished by an eye-witness after the battle, and published by Mr. Baumgarten, at No. 181 Main street, Richmond; map showing the battle-grounds of the Chickahominy, and the position of the subsequent engagements in the retreat or the Federal army towards James river, and rounds of interest in connection with and points of interest in connection with the siege of Michmond; also, the imporof Messra, W. J. Westwood, S. E. Wood- ant points around Petersburg in 1862



REV. MEREDITH ASHBY JONES.

The Brilliant Young Minister Who Will Probably Be Called to Leigh-Street Baptist Church.

fin, R. A. Gary, E. C. Garrison, C. C. Carden, F. L. Butler, E. Morrissette, Charles H. Maury, and T. H. Peace. These gentlemen resolved in the beginning not to army, Quitman Guards, First Regiment, make public the name of the minister upon whom they agreed until it was presented to the church, and not to make any recommendations until there had been satisfactory correspondence with the gen-tieman upon whom they settled.

The decision of the committee was mary L. Simpson, of Petersburg, reached about two weeks ago, but under has presented a sock, partly knit by Mrs. not be held until to-day. The members de-clined, when approached on the subject. clined, when approached on the subject, to say upon whom they had decided, but that Rev. Mr. Jones is their choice is al-most certain. It is known, however, that the names of a number of other distin-

SKETCH OF REV. MR. JONES.

Rev. Meredith Ashby Jones, son of Dr. 7. William Jones and Mrs. Judith Page Helm Jones, was born in Lexington, Va., November 7, 1868. He is entitled to join the "Sons of the Revolution" on at least seven distinct lines, being descended (be sides from other Revolutionary ancestors from Captain Jack Ashby on his father' side, and from Carter Braxton, one o the signers of the Declaration of Inde pendence, on his mother's side. He came with his parents to Richmond in Novem ber, 1872, and remained here until Novem ber, 1887, attending the schools of Mis Jane Stanard and Mr. John P. McGuir antil he entered Richmond College, in October, 1885. At the age of 10 he made a profession of religion, and was baptized into the fellowship of the Clay-Street Baptist church (now Calvary) by the then pastor, Rev. S. C. Clopton. He went with his parents to Atlanta in 1887, when his father became one of the secretarios. father became one of the secretaries the Home Mission Board of the Souther Baptist Convention, and while there he became an expert stenographer and type writer, and had positions in business houses and with a prominent attorney a UNDER A BROTHER'S PREACHING

He had for years purposed studying and was expecting to enter the school at the University of Virgin that fall, when, in the spring of 188 under the influence of a sermon preache by his oldest brother, Dr. Carter Help Jones, during an interesting revival i by his oldest brother, Dr. Carter Heim Jones, during an interesting revival in Dr. Hawthorne's church, in Atlanta, he was brought to see it to be his duty to preach the Gospel. He then entered Washington and Lee University, and took a special course, after which he entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and completed his course there in May, 1863, having in the mean time. May, 1893, having in the mean time be-come pastor of the Baptist church, at Richmond, Ky. In October, 1894, he entered the University of Virginia for special course of study under Professor C. W. Kent and Noah K. Davis, and for three months of the time he was there three months of the time he was there he supplied the pulpit of the Charlottes-ville Baptist church, where large crowds waited on his ministry and seemed delighted with his preaching. In 1895 he went as pastor of the Baptist church to Bardstown. Ky., where he has had a useful pastorate. Soon after going to Bardstown he was married to Miss May Turner, near Richmond, Ky. Bardstown he was married t Turner, near Richmond, Ky.

OF A FAMILY OF PREACHERS. Mr. Jones belongs to a family of five preachers-his father, Dr. J. William Jones, of this city, and his brothers, church, Louisville; Rev. Edloe Pendletor Jones, of the First Baptist church Co-lumbus, Miss.; Rev. Howard Lee Jones.

of the Baptist Church of the Epiphany, corner Madison avenue and Sixty-fourth street, New York, and himself. Mr. Jones is a student, widely read to general literature, as well as in theology, and thoroughly prepares his sermons; but he makes only brief skeletons, never carries a note into the pulpit, and speaks cerias a note into style, graceful gesture, and clear, penetrating voice. He has filled pulpits in Atlanta, Knoxville, Louis-ville, Plainfield, N. J., the University of ville, Plainfield, N. J., the University of Virginia, and other prominent places, and always most acceptably.

He is genial, pleasant, and very agreeable in society, a fine conversationalist, and very popular, especially among the variety.

A MODEL PREACHER'S WIFE. His wife is well educated, accomplished, and agreeable, and in every respect a model preacher's wife, Mr. Jones has been recred in the school of "old the-6'cs"," and preaches the old truths of the

Georgia Volunteers. This last map snown Major Jed. Hotchkiss, who pronounced it very rare and valuable, and one which is not among those belonging

Government at to the United States Robert E. Lee, and sent her mother to complete for some soldier.

The commissions of Colonel Powhatan Whittle are sent by his niece, Miss

Mary C. Whittie. An army prayer-book, used by William Blair, sent by his daughter, through Mrs. Henningnam Claiborne.

Miss Mary C. Whittle also sends the novel by Mrs. Henry Wood, "Mrs. Halliburton's Troubles," and twelve numbers of the Record, printed in Richmond in

Mrs. George Ross sends a tragment of the mag or the Merrimac, and through Mrs. E. C. Minor, Mr. Charles Blackford, of Lynchburg, Va., sends an army prayer-book.

WILL VETO WOMEN NOTARIES BILL It Is Thought Governor Tyler Will

It is regarded as pretty well assured that Governor Tyler will veto the female notary bill, though he has not stated that he will do so. His action will be based solely upon constitutional grounds.

Refuse to Sign the Act.

The Governor yesterday signed the anti-trading-stamp bill, in the presence of Mr. George McD. Blake, who led the fight for the bill, and who was given the pen with which it was signed. The law goes into effect July 1st. Mr. J. C. Byars, of Bristol, visited the

Governor yesterday, and presented nume-cously signed papers, asking that the sentence of John Jackson, condemned to be hanged at Abingdon, April 8th, be com-muted to life imprisonment. Jackson was convicted of the murder of Walter Leonard, in August last. Jackson is a young man, with a wife and six children. Mr. man, with a wife and six children. Mr. Byars says sentiment is changing in favor of Jackson, and most of his neighbors have signed the petition for the commutation of his sentence. It is believed that the Governor is seriously considering the granting of the commutation asked.

ONLY ONE TRANSFER NOW.

Passenger Privileges on Richmond R'y and Electric Lines Abridged.

The Richmond Railway and Electric Company, will, beginning with to-day, considerably abridge the privileges heretofore enjoyed by its passengers. An order has been issued to conductors to refuse to repunch transfers, which means that many passengers who have hitherto ridden to their homes for 5 cents will have to pay an additional fare or walk.

The rule is best explained as follows: A passenger entering a Barton Heights car to go to the Reservoir will be given a transfer to the Clay-street line at First street, and can then ride on that transfer to the corner of Beech and Main streets. He will then have to pay an additional fare or walk a mfle or two to the Reservoir. The rule applies as well to all branch lines.

Judge Lewis Not a Candidate.

There was a rumor current in the postoffice building yesterday that Judge
Lewis would receive the endorsement or
Judge Waddill for the Richmond postmastership, and that the office would not
fail to the lot of any of the candidates
who have been pressing their claims so
vigorously during the past few weeks.

The rumor was emphatically denied by
Republican leaders, who said that such
an idea had never been suggested, and
Judge Lewis himself said it was utterly
without foundation.

Birthday Party.

Miss Ivy Nolte gave a delightful birth-day party at the residence of her parents, 69t Brook avenue, Friday evening, Among the young lady's friends present were Misses Gracie Kramer, Carrie Stein, Car-rie Ganzert, Minnie Raby, Leonora Nolte, Lee Kramer, and Messrs, Bub. Booker, Davy Booker, Jack Grubbs, Freddie Stein, Herman Stein, Weis Blackweel, and Josie Schoch.

THE NEWS IN FULTO

THE BIG MASQUERADE BALL WAS

A PERFECT SUCCESS.

THE SOCIAL AND ATHLETIC CLUB.

It Is Rapidly Increasing in Member ship-Democrats in the East End Are Actively at Work-Personal

The bal masque, given under the auspices of a number of Fulton ladies at Donahue's Hall Monday night, equalled, if not surpassed, any event of the kind recently held in this section. Cards of invitation were issued, which had to be presented at the door to gain admission and take part in the pleasures within, and long before 8 o'clock the hall was crowded with spectators, and those whose desire was, to trip the light fantastic toe. At 9 o'clock sounds of melody came forth from the orchestra, and there slowly filed out on the wax floor thirty couples, masked, and personating characters interesting and unique, all of which brought forth loud and frequent applause from the spectators. At 11 o'clock the participants unmasked, and dancing was continued with little intermission until a late hour. Those present were unanimous in the declaration that the evening was one of the most enjoyable they had ever spent. The following were present: Misses Isa Hardin, Essie and Katie Mahone, Mary Pocklington, Mayme Mays, Lelia Atkinson, Josie Horan, Katle Kavanaugh, Annie Burkman, Minnie Phelps, Cora and Bessie Knight, Blanche Coghill, Alice Adams, Lula Green, Ada Branchford, Ruth Atkinson, Maggie Burns, and Mrs. Carter.
Messrs. Jesse Hardin, Luther Estes,
John Paul, Frank Polar, Willie Byron,
John Mahone, Ed. Garrison, Richard
Morris, H. Roane, H. Duke, Thomas Gorman, Tom Daugherty, Arthur Chaudler, D. Alley, George Talley, Willie O'Dell, E. Hobson, James Lumsden, and Messrs. Gilliam, Carter, and Atkinson.

A THRIVING CLUB. Should the membership of the Fulton Social and Athletic Club continue to increase as within the past two weeks larger quarters will have to be sought for the accommodation of its members. Fifteen were added to the roll last Monday night, and a score the week previous, and it is said that the names sent in for ballot to-morrow night will make the roll of membership nearly 100. As the club is now in its infancy, the prospects for its future success are very bright. The interest manifested in its success is not alone centered in Fulton, as contribu-tions have been received from persons who are not residents of the suburb. Captain Frank Cunningham very generously contributed 100 books to the library, a gift which is exceedingly gratifying. The rooms are crowded nightly, and many of the young men are developing their muscles and learning the manly art of self-defence

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mays have Issued cards of invitation to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Grace R., to Mr. Louis Seal, a prominent young gentleman of Fulton. The happy event will be solemnized at Denny-Street Methodist Episcopal church next Wednesday afternoon at 5:45 o'clock.

The candidates from Fulton who have announced themselves for municipal of-fices are Messrs. Fred. W. Garber, J. H. Lawder, Jefferson Powers, and James A. Black. The latter is a candidate for re-election to the City Democratic Com-

The Fulton Democratic Club will meet at Donahue's Hall tc-morrow night. The hall was crowded as it was never before at the Democratic meeting last Tuesday night, when the club met to take an active part in matters pertaining to mu-

nicipal affairs. Mr. William Henry Throckmorton 61ed Henrico county, several miles below the

city, after a long illness.

Mr. James Eickerstaff, who has the contract for the removal of dead animals from the city, is making extensive improvements at his place of business, about two miles below the city, on the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio road,

THEY ARE SEVEN.

Manatoka Tribe, I. O. R. M., Celebrates Its Birthday.

Manatoka Tribe, No. 83, of Red Men, celebrated its seventh anniversary last night in Lee-Camp Hail. The entertainment with which the occasion was marked was a thoroughly enjoyable one, and was in no way marred by the unfavorable state of the elements. The attendance was large, and the various numbers of the delightful programme were received

with well-deserved applause.

Rev. J. B. Gayle, chaplain of the tribe, opened the proceedings with prayer, after which the following programme was ren-dered: Instrumental solo, Miss Maggie Wade; vocal solo, Captain F. W. Cunningham; history of the tribe, Mr. E. W. Miller; banjo solo, Mr. Eugene Davis; dia-logue, by Misses Esther Morris, Sis Jones, Gertie Jones, Renn Seal, Lizzle Morris, Nettie Burfoot, Nellie Wright; duet, Misses Lizzle Morris and Renn Seal; reci-tation, Miss Etta Mallory; solo, Mr. Charles H. Phillips; monologue, Mr. E. After the entertainment refreshments

were served.

REGULATIONS FOR LENT.

A Communication from Bishop Van de Vyver to Be Rend To-Day.

Right Rev. Bishop A. Van de Vyver has issued the regulations for Lent, which will be read from the pulpits of all the Catholic churches in the diocese to-day. In accordance with the command of the Third Plenary Council, of Baltimore, a collection will be taken up in all the churches on the first Sunday of Lent, for the missions among the indians and colored people. The statue of St. Benedict, of Santra-

tello, which has been placed in St. Joseph's colored church, will be biessed Joseph's colored church, will be blessed by the Bishop to-night. The order of exercises will be as follows: Opening hymn, "Rock of Ages"; solemn blessing of the statue by Right Rev. Bishop Van de Vyver. D. D.; hymn of St. Benedict, by choir and the children; sermon on the "Life of St. Benedict." by Rev. Walter Yates, of Enrimore, Md.; solo, "Call of the Divine Reaper"; solemn benediction; closing hymn, "Near, My God. to Thee." Music under the direction of Mr. J. Louis Sullivan.

CHASE A LIVE FOX.

The Deep-Run Club Has an Exciting Hunt-A Hound Hurt. In spite of the inclement weather ver-

terday afternoon, several members of the Deep Run Hunt Club and their guests mer at the "Kennels" and were rewarded by having one of the best hunts of the season. The drag was laid from the "Kennels" to the old club-house, thence through nels" to the old club-house, thence through Morrison's, passing north of Dumbarton, where some stiff plank fences had to be negotiated; thence through Blanton's by Lakeside Park to Warwick's farm, on the Brook road, where a live fox had been liberated. Reynard led the hounds through the "Brook" into "Brook Hill." down through the low-grounds towards the Chickahominy swamps, and after over an hour's run was killed on Warwick's farm. The brush was presented to Miss

phie White by the master, Mr. H. C. Seattle.

As the hounds were being taken back to the kennels one of the best had the

As the hounds were being taken back to the kennels one of the best had the misfortune to be badly crippled by one of the Lakeside electric cars.

Prominent amongst those in the saddle were Miss Blacker, Miss May Woodward, Dr. R. B. Teusler, Mr. Tomkins McIlvain, M. F. H., of the Rockaway Hunt Club, of Cedarhurst, N. Y.; Dr. Joseph A. White, Messrs. W. A. Highbotham, William Reuger, L. C. Younger, F. Deane Meanley, M. H. Garnett, E. H. Savage, W. M. Leathley, T. M. Wortham, W. A. Townes, J. T. Anderson, J. Stewart Bryan, J. W. J. T. Anderson, J. Stewart Bryan, J. W. Talley, and J. B. Rurnett.

Tuesday being a holiday, the hounds will be at the New Reservoir at 3:45 q clock instead of Wednesday. The route will be published in this paper on Tuesday morning.

MET DEATH IN NORFOLK.

J. L. Mantlo Left the Gas Turned On and Was Found Dead.

A special was received by the Dispatch last night from Norfolk, stating that J. L. Mantio, of this city, was asphyxiated Friday night by sleeping in a room with the gas turned on at full force. Whether Mantlo came to his death accidentally or with suicidal intent is not known.

The special reads: "J. L. Mantlo, of Richmond, was asphyxiated last night at

Ritt's boarding-nouse, on east Main street. He was found in bed in his room this morning, with the gas fully turned on. Whether or not his death was suicidal is not known. Mantlo came to Norfolk in January last, recommended by Mr. Edgar Alian, and received a position, it is said, with the street railway com-pany as a conductor. He was called nome for some reason, and, upon return-ing in the last few cays, round himself of employment."

Deceased was a native of Hanover county, where two of his brothers now reside. He was a woodworker by trade, and was about 40 years of age. When in this city he resided at No. 602 north Twenty-nith street.

A PATRIOTIC MASS-MEETING.

It Will Be Held Next Tuesday at Hoge-Memorial Church.

The patriotic mass-meeting which is generally held on Washington's Birthday by the Junior Order United American Mechanics will take place on Tuesday next under the auspices of the Daughters or Liberty at Hoge-Memorial church. The very interesting programme will be sure to attract a large number of persons. The six local councils, representing a membership of 1,000, will all be largely represented on the occasion. The programme will be as follows: Voluntary, choir; hymn, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee'; prayer, Rev. L. M. Omer; Scripture lesson, Rev. J. T. Mastin; solo, Mr. Albert Samuels; principles and objects read, Rev. L. M. Omer; duet, Mrs. James White and Mrs. James E. Taylor; "The Unknown Speaker," Mrs. W. U. Yeaman; solo, Mr. Haddon S. Watkins; orator of the evening. Rev. J. E. Cook; hymn. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"; prayer, Rev. J. T. Mastin; doxology; benealed: under the auspices of the Daughters or prayer, Rev. J. T. Mastin; doxology; ben ediction, Rev. J. E. Cook.

DINNER AT THE JEFFERSON.

Mrs. Clements and Mrs. Clarke Entertain a Party of Friends.

Mrs. H. L. Clements and her daughter, Mrs. Powhatan Clarke, of St. Louis, who have been spending the winter at the Jefferson, have been most agreeable additions to Richmond society. They gave an elegant dinner at the Jefferson last evening. American Beauties and violets formed the decorations of the table, as

well as the souvenir bouquets.

The guests assembled in the Jefferson drawing-room about 8 o'clock. They wer drawing-room about 8 o'clock. They were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deane Williams, Mr. and Mrs. James Patton, Mrs. Clemens Jones; Lieutenant Patton, of Fort Assinniboln; Miss Tinsley, and Lieutenant Hughes, or New York, the honored guest, Mrs. Clemens and Mrs. Clarke are peculiarly expedient when filling the resident

Harly gracious when filling the role of hostess, and understand every detail in-cluded in hospitality. It is hoped that these ladies may long linger in Richmond.

At the recent State Conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution ft was resolved to tender to Mrs. Adja. Stevenson, the retiring president-general of the society, a reception as an expression of appreciation of the skill which she has administered the affairs under her care, and her unfalling courtesy to all members of the association. The Virginia delegation has also invited the delegates from Kentucky to receive with them, in return for a similar courtesy extended to Virginia by Kentucky on a extended to Virginia by Kentucky on a similar occasion. The date for the reception will be Friday atternoon, February 25th, at the Woman's Club, Washington, D. C., when the Continental Congress will be in session, and representative women from every section of the country will be in the capital. The Reception Commattee on Friday will consist of delegates from each of the twelve chapters and the Kentucky delegation.

Delightful Entertainment.

Following is the programme of a very delightful entertainment given at Highland Springs Friday evening: "Jimmie Brow's Prompt Obedience." Mr. Aubin Terrilli; song, "Sweet Bunch of Daisles." Miss Ruby Humphrey, accompanied by Miss Stella Humphrey; "Asleep at the Switch." Mr J. C. Cone; duet, Mesdames Bowers and Fisher, a song from Swiss-Alps; recitation, "Going to Market." Miss Ruby Humphrey; song (German, Mrs. Bowers; recitation, "Why the Chicken Didn't Die." Mrs. Dillard; solo, Mr. Dudley; recitation, Mr. Aubin Terrill; violin, Miss Hudgins, recitation, Mr. J. C. Cone.

Move Into New Quarters

Grove Council, No. 40, Jr. O. U. A. M., will move into its own hall Tuesday, February 22d. The building, directly opposite the Howard's-Grove Baptist church, formerly used as a school-house, was leased by this council, and fitted up in fine style, and is a very cosey hall. All the members are expected to be present on that date in honor of Washington's Birthday. There will be three candidates for initiation, an oration on the life of Washington by a past councillor, and dress on patriotism by a past councillor, and the exemplification of the unwritten work by the Deputy Supreme Councillor.

Mr. Carrington Dies in Louisiann.

Information has been received here of the death, in De Soto parish, La., on February 11th, of Mr. Robert M. Carrington. Deceased, who was in his 63d year, was a son of the late Isaac C. Carrington, of "Sylvan Hill." Charlotte county. Va. He was an earnest Christian and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His death resulted from a short and severe attack of grip. His wife and daughter survive him.

Mrs. Heck's Remains Interred.

Mrs. Heek's Remains Interred,
The remains of Mrs. George B. Heck,
sister-in-law of Dr. J. Allison Hodges,
who died in Asheville, N. C., Thursday,
were taken to Greensboro', N. C., and
interred there yesterday afternoon. Deceased was a granddaughter of Governor
Morehead, of North Carolina, and a
daughter of Julius A. Gray, late president
of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad. Her husband is a New York broker. Married in Baltimore.

Miss Isabella V. Walden, of Richmond, was married to Mr. James Leroy Brown, of Baltimore, on the 15th Instant. The ceremony was performed at All Saints' church by Rev. Mr. Wrath.

The bride is a popular dancing-school teacher, and the announcement of her wedding, was a great surprise to her many friends.

Marshal Treat Expected To-Morrow. Mr. Morgan Treat, who was sworn in as United States Marshal of the Third District in Norfolk yesterday, will take charge of the Richmond office to-morrow: Mr. Samuel Bendit, one of Mr. Treat's appointees, was at the office yesterday, going over the affairs with Mr. Janney Pleasants, who will continue for the present to act as district deputy.

FINE PLAY BILL.

FUR STRONG ORGANIZATIONS AT THE ACADEMY THIS WEEK.

AUGUSTIN DALY'S LATEST COMEDY

"A Night Off" the Opening Attraction-"Prisoner of Zenda" Returns,

Drama-Two New Plays.

Melodrama and Romantic Comedy-

tions are seen.

Mr. Augustin Daly's company will appear at the Academy of Music to-morrow night in his bright comedy, "A Night Oft," which was successfully produced last season in New York by Miss Ada Rehan. Mr. Daly is, perhaps, the most remarkable man in the theatrical profession to-day, in that he owns and occupies solely with his own company the most exclusive and high-priced theatre in New York, where nothing but his own plays and reproduc-

Mr. Daly does not confine his seasons altogether to the production of plays of the Shakespearean class, but he has more than once presented plays of his own writing that have gained the favor of the patrons of his own theatre and the public of other cities. There is a great demand for a genuine farce comedy such as "A Night Off," in which it has been demonstrated that horse-play and topical gags are not the things that engage and amuse under the much abused name of omedy. The company that will be seen in this city includes Percy Bowles, James Kyrle McCurdy, W. C. Andrews, Thomas McGrath, Edna Lansing, May Haines, Grace Vaughan, and others.

"UNDER THE DOME." On Tuesday, Washington's Birthday, Lincoln J. Carter's scenic naval comedy-drama, "Under the Dome," will be presented in the afternoon and at night. The play is said to thrill with patriotism wrought out of the love of a sailor for his lass and his country's flar.

his lass and his country's flag. The mechanical scenery includes a ferry-boat trip from Jersey City to New York, the ferry apparently moving to-wards the latter city; a view of the Capi-tol at Washington, and three stage-pictures of the hurricane which swept the harbor of Apia, Samoa, on March 15, 1889, and played havoc with the warships of the United States, Germany, and England, anchored at that time in the harbor. The wreck of the vessels is graphically de-scribed in scenery and action. Mr. Car-ter sends a No. 1 company to this city with the play.

"FOR FAIR VIRGINIA."

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Whytal and their company will present at the Academy of Music next Wednesday and Thursday nights and Thursday afternoon for the first time in this city Mr. Whytal's romantic drama, "For Fair Virginia," a story of life in Virginia during the civil was Talke play has been pronounced one war. This play has been pronounced one of the best specimens of American author-ship, and its tender heart-interest, its stirring incidents, and its striking charac-terizations, both emotional and comic, cannot fail to appeal to all classes of

theatregoers.

It is a play that touches the heart and stirs the blood; a play of structural strength, built on honest lines; wholesome in tone, continuous in interest, and with literary merit in its lines. Mr. Russ Whytal appears in a light-

Mr. Russ Whytal appears in a light-comedy part, and the company is headed by such able people as Viola Fortescue, E. F. Nagle, Joseph Zahner, Mabel Tal-inferro, and Mrs. Whytal, in the title role, "Virginia."

THE PRISONER OF ZENDA. Charles Rose's adaptation for the stage of Anthony Hope's charming romantic story, "The Prisoner of Zenda," will be seen at the Academy Friday and Saturday seen at the Academy Friday and Saturday nights, with a matinee Saturday afternoon. The play was presented in this city last season by one of Mr. Charles Frohman's company, and was well received. It returns this season with equally as strong a company, and still under the management of Mr. Frohman.

morning at 9 o'clock.

Dr. Whitsitt's Day Here.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Whitsit, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Semi-nary, after spending a day here, left yes-terday afternoon for Louisville. He ad-dressed the students of Richmond Col-lege in the morning, and spent some time with Dr. Hatcher, with whom he took lunch.

MARDI GRAS.

New Orleans, La.: Mobile, Ala., and Birmingham, Ala., February 22, 1898.

A rate of one first-class limited fare for the round-trip, to New Orleans, La.; Mobile, Ala., and Birmingham, Ala., is offered by the Southern railway from all points on its line, to those wishing to attend these grand festivals, which occur each year. Tickets on sale February 16th to 21st, inclusive, final limit returning March 5, 1898.

Not only does the Southern railway offer this very low rate to all who wish to go, but it also offers the shortest and quickest route, most convenient schedules, and comfortable accommoda tions. The Southern has double daily tions. The Southern has double daily trains running between all points on its line in this section, and the above points where the festival will be held. These trains are composed of the very latest and most handsome design of Pullman sleeping-cars and Southern railway dining-cars and coaches. Complete information as to schedules

sleeping-car reservations, etc., will be cheerfully furnished upon application by any agent of the Southern Richmond Transfer Company, 903 east Main street, or C. W. Westbury, Travelling Passenger Agent, 920 east Main street, Richmond, Va.

OLD POINT AND WASHINGTON Special, Via Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. The Old Point and Washington Special

with dining-car, via Chesapeake and Ohio and Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, will be resumed February 21st, leaving Old Point at 9:50 A. M. and Richmond at 11:53 A. M., Mondays, Wednes-days, and Fridays, arriving at Washington at 3:20 P. M., and connect there with Congressional Limited.

Thalhimer Brothers.

This live and wideawake dry-goods firm have added many novelties to their various departments of their immense stock for this spring's trade. Here are to be seen beautiful patterns and effects, embracing everything that you can possi-bly think of, from the cheapest to the nost expensive article. Their store is lighted up from top to

bottom with the latest improvements in the electric lights, and on the darkest days goods can be seen to as good ad-Upright Piano!! Bargains!!!

Richmond Music Company. Julius Sycle & Son will show immense

line of New Spring Silks Monday. Quick Time via Chesapeake and

Ohio Railway-Twelve Days from California to Richmond. D. S. Harwood, representing Earle Fruit Company, of Los Angeles, Cal., has just received for William Jenkins & Son and M. T. Page & Brother cars of oranges from Los Angeles, which made the run in twelve days via Kanawha Dis-patch Fast Freight Line, about as quick

Slightly Used Upright Planes at half their former price. RICHMOND MUSIC COMPANY.

time as on record.

"A THING OF BEAUTY"

Is Sald to Be "A Joy Forever." If So, Meyer's New Store Fills the Bill.

By invitation extended by the Messta-Meyer, we assembled, with other mem-bers of the press, at the new Meyer Store, corner Fousines and Broad streets, inding it gayly decked with flags and bunting in true holiday attire. As we were escorted through the establishment by the clever and versatile manager, the many things of interest, art, luxury, and mechanical skill were a source of un-

ending wonder and surprise. WINDOW DISPLAYS.

The show-windows, which extend all around Foushee street, first attracted our attention. They are really vast stores divided into a series of compartments, only by the different character of the merchandise therein displayed. They will be a revelation of beauty to Richmond folk, and are in themselves enough attraction to make upper Broad street vary lively. The double-decked idea is a new one—the upper windows being devoted exclusively to furniture. A stairway from the interior of the store gives easy access for a closer inspection.

FENCING SCENE. In the lower windows a fencing scene between two Amazons makes a heroic background to a corset display, which is truly perfect. The snowy loveliness of the adjoining display of muslin under-wear showed us a bit of lingeric with which we were heretofore unacquainted.

TWENTIETH CENTURY GIRL. The twentieth-century girl is next represented riding an entirely new idea in a bicycle, surrounded by all the fads and fancies of true sportsmen and wo men, including cameras, golf necessities, and even fireproof safes, in which one

may be sure of his valuables. DAPPER MEN

Next show we found more to our liking. Here were two men looking so dapper and neat in their well-fitting clothing, surrounded by everything that a man needs for his personal use, and if we have sons they can be well fitted out. SPRING DAINTIES.

Other windows were filled with the latest designs and colors of dress goods for early spring, leading into the pink, blue, and green daintiness of Swiss or-gandies, dimities, and linens for summer. Then there are all sorts of waists and furbelows. Charming affairs for neck and girdle, made of ribbon, chiffon, lace, and velvets, just to brighten up old winter dresses and help resist those tempting swell gowns, made in the graceful Russian blouse, or if you are tailor-made in your taste, you can find a whole window of neat cloth and tweed jackets and skirts, lined throughout with taffetas of gay or sombre hue. Even if we were men we paused in front of an exquisite display of evening sliks and others appropriate for dinner gowns, visiting cos-tumes, or for gay summer resorts. The large show-case in front is round

and imposing. On entering the store we found a vast bazaar, decorated so skilfully, so picturesquely, one can hardly comprehend how so many departments could show colors to blend so artistically.

SNOW SCENE. SNOW SCENE.

The centre of the huge building represents a snow scene. Looking up to the skylight, ons is almost blinded by the white flakes of the snow falling on a mimic pine forest, which gives a refreshing odor throughout the vast building. What to look at first! Ohl surely this is the place for all of the feminine sex and the place for all of the feminine sex, and the firm so well knows the foibles of our wives and sisters that they have

he year. So, beware of letters received on the quiet.

THE RESTAURANT. Down in the basement is the delight of all good housewifes. Never was there a more complete assortment of kitchen utensils, dining-room, butler's pantry, and sterercom supplies-everything, from the granite iron to cook in to the cut-glass in which to serve a dinner. But, why go home for lunch, when behind those silken curtains the neat little waitresses are serving a most nourishing and delicious repast to all those chattering shoppers, who are enjoying oysters, salads, and creams, while discussing their many bar-gains. The restaurant will no doubt be

well patronized.

bundle department. SODA FOUNTAIN.

The main floor has a soda-fountain for the thirsty, hurrying throng, so none need want for refreshments and rest, for the ladies' waiting-room, at the se cond landing, is filled with all conve niences. Here are tollet-rooms, comfortable chairs, foot-rests, and the latest magazines and daily papers, with a quantity of writing materials, and a let-

ter-box close at hand. ORIENTAL LUXURIES.

Leading into this we found a most luxurious Oriental room, draped in true eastern style, filled with antique ornaments, Egyptian armor, Turkish tabour ettes, Daghestan rugs, and a most in-viting Bagdad couch made us rub our eyes—were we in Persia or Richmend? A few steps lead to the manager's office and those of the members of the firm, the desks and rooms for advertising, etc. OH! THOSE MEN-AND BABIES.

The second floor has a complete men's clothing, hat, and shoe department. Mil-linery and ladies' talloring, because perchance you find no ready-made dresses fit. The tailor is over ready with latest Venice, Parisian, and English styles to cut and fit one for you. Further on are the manicure and hair-dressing rooms, leading toto the Liliputian department, for babes need all sorts of things, judging from the space. HOME COMFORTS.

The fourth story is devoted to carpets, mattings, rugs, and wall paper, one side being given to furniture, and so we found the most complete establishment of its kind in the South-a place where men, women, and children can be fitted out from head to foot; where our homes can be furnished from kitchen te parlor; an emporium clean, siry, and comfortable, easy of access on the direct car line, and full of interest, giving employment to many. What tact, work, and ingenuity is required, one can only judge by a visit It is truly a place of interest, and ranks with "the City Hall, the Jefferson, and other places, as one of Richmond's new things-beauty, and a joy forever.

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Northwestern Mutual Life-Insurance

Company. Milwaukee, Wis., January 24, 1898. To the Trustees and Other Members of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company: The Executive Committee, in presenting

the fortieth annual report of the com-pany, does so with the consciousness that the great and beneficent business of life insurance, of which this company has become so prominent a factor, enters upon the new year stronger in public con-fidence and with the record of greater usefulness than ever before in its his-tory. Throughout the severe financial depression of the past five years the business of life insurance has prospered and shown a steady and bealthy growth. The test has been a severe one, but the institution has stood it grandly, and has established the fact that it is safer and bet. ter able to withstand adverse business conditions than any other system yet devised. That no regular life insurance company has falled during that period, or even shown a lack of strength or of the elements of perpetuity, demonstrates that no other insurance in the company of that no other financial Institution as fords so safe and satisfactory protection to family and estate. While the progress of the great business as a whole has been so marked, we desire to call especial attention to the contributions which this company has made to the grand sun

total.

Starting without capital or assets in 1857, we are able to report at the close of 1897 assets amounting to \$190.375.555.91; liabilities of \$80.885.093.07; accumulations held to meet tontine policy contracts, \$16,310,434; general surplus, \$5,180.098.34, and insurance in force, \$413.081,379.

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Only three companies, one of which is younger than the Northwestern, exceed this company in size, and their field of operations covers practically the entire civilized world. It must be remembered, however, that the business of this company is strictly United States business; that a strictly United States business; that a strictly United States business is most desirable for a United States com-pany to have, and that the Northwest-ern's new business has for years been largely in excess of that written by any other company working exclusively in the United States.

The fact that the company has more business in force in the State of New York than in any other, and that the States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and others are such large

ern, its superior merits are recognized throughout the entire field of its opera periods will be interesting:

\$ 36,639,333 \$ 3,136,197 \$ 1,690,785 \$ 637,319 64,416,847 18,173,257 3,711,087 147.615.323

The securities in which the funds of the company are invested are of the same high order as to safety and earning power as has always characterized its invest-ments. The interest and rents earned during the year amounted to \$5,655,686.00, which is equal to 5.46 per cent, on the

The ratio of death losses for the year to mean amount of insurance was 0.98 per cent., or \$9.50 per \$1,000.

porting to Massachusetts for 1896 was 1.33 per cent., or \$13.30 per \$1.000. The result of the work of the year Increase in liabilities 7,762,497.07

tions unless the rate of expense at which the new business is secured and the old business cared for is moderate. In this regard the work of 1897 was eminently satisfactory, notwithstanding the fact that the operations of the year were greatly increased. The ratio of expense of management to mean amount of insurance in force was 0.67 per cent, or management of Mr. Frohman.

The sale of scats for the entire week commences at the Academy to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Then, there is a complete bicycle and sporting-goods department, just at the surance in force was 0.67 per cent. or left of the elevator. Back of this the with 0.63 per cent. for 1896. The average of all companies for 1896 was 0.90 per of all companies for 1896 was 0.90 per cent., or 39 per \$1,000 of insurance. A saving of \$2.30 for each thousand dollars of insurance on the books, taken in con-nection with the favorable death-rate of

> company. The marked persistency of the business

agency force.

The total payments to policy-holders since organization, added to the present assets, amount to \$20,241,802.24 more than the entire premium receipts. In other words, the interest earnings of the company, in addition to paying all expenses of conducting the business, have made a

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contributors to its prosperity, is proof that, while more than 43 per cent. of all the life insurance in force in Wisconsin, its home State, is in the Northwest.

Insurance Disburgin Force, Assets. Income. ments

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total gross assets at the beginning of the

post-office boxes which can be rented by The average of all the companies re-

> Increase in insurance in force. 23.913.541.00 No old member of a life-insurance company is benefited by large transac-

the company, makes it apparent why the benefits enjoyed by policy-holders of the Northwestern compare so favorably with those of other companies. The question of economy in manage-ment is properly attracting more attention than formerly, and becoming better understood. Careful scrutiny is in-

vited to this feature of the work of the

of the Northwestern is largely attribu-table to the fact that it is written without rebate of premiums, the rule of the company in this regard being rigidly adhered to. On October I, 1897, a rule was put in force forbidding the acceptance of business from any one not under contract with the company. It is expected that the limitation of the field work exclusively to the agents of this company, will result in a still higher class of risks. During 1897 premiums amounting to 314. During 1897 premiums amounting to \$14.-872,153 were collected by the agents without the less of so much as a single cent to the company. For the five years last past \$65,258,976 has been so collected, the total amount charged to profit and loss from that source being for that period but \$1,020.88. We believe this record to be without parallel. This showing, coupled with the amount and quality of business written, is sufficient testimony to the efficiency and integrity of our

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